

COUNTY OF SAN LUIS OBISPO  
APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT  
TO A BOARD, COMMISSION, OR COMMITTEE

Date: 1/2/2016

Applying For: Homeless Services Oversight Council (HSOC)

Name: Battista Clare  
Last First Middle Initial

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number Street City Zip Code

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Business Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Place an "X" next to the HSOC membership category below which you wish to represent:

- ☐ County Government Service Providers (Behavioral Health, Planning, Social Services, Veterans Services, or Probation)
- ☐ Non-profit Service Providers
- ☐ Which area(s) of the county does this organization serve? \_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Affordable Housing Developers
- ☐ Local Businesses/Business Organizations
- ☐ Law Enforcement
- ☒ Local Academic Institution
- ☐ Local Health Provider
- ☐ Local Faith Community
- ☐ Interested Community (preferentially with homelessness experience)

Please cite your affiliation, as staff member, board member or volunteer, with any community services agency or organization:

I am a Cal Poly instructor who teaches a service-learning based course every quarter on poverty and discrimination. Over the past 12-15 years, I have consistently worked with the interfaith coalition overflow shelters and ECHO every quarter in arranging for student volunteers to assist with clients/guests on an overnight basis. I also collaborate with the Access Support Network of SLO each fall and on a less consistent basis, I work with Prado Day Center and Growing Grounds. These agencies have become an integral part of my courses and an essential component of the student learning experience. I would like to expand this relationship but I think I need a seat at the table to coordinate and integrate the needs of the community with the available resources.

Please describe how you qualify for the HSOC category which you have selected above:

I am a senior lecturer in the Economics Department at Cal Poly and have been at Cal Poly for 19 years.

While not necessarily required, knowledge of issues relating to homelessness and/or previous involvement in addressing homelessness are desirable for HSOC members and will be considered by the selection committee prior to making its recommendations to the Board of Supervisors. Please summarize your experience with the issue of homelessness or with homeless clients:

[Please see above]

Please explain why you would like to serve on the HSOC (attach a separate sheet if necessary):

As mentioned above, homeless services agencies like ECHO and churches that are part of the interfaith coalition overflow shelters, like St. Stephen's have become an integral part of my courses and an essential component of the student learning experience. I would like to expand this relationship to include my first year students so that service and community involvement and integration inform their Cal Poly learning experience from the very beginning. I spent last year redesigning my principles classes to include service moving forward. However, now that I moving into the implementation stage, I think I need a seat at the table to coordinate and integrate the needs of the community with the available resources since I would like to grow the capacity in a way that is directly useful to the community.

**Please note:** It is possible that the selection committee may contact you to ask for additional information if necessary to prepare its recommendations for HSOC membership to the Board of Supervisors.

If appointed, are you willing to participate in the majority of meetings each year and, if necessary, in numerous related meetings of subcommittees? xxx Yes        No

Should you be appointed, are you willing, if necessary for that particular body, to file a statement of disclosure as a public official under the standards set forth by the Fair Political Practice Commission? xxx Yes        No

Signed  Date 1/2/2016

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Date called/interviewed        Recommended for appointment?        Yes        No

Appointee prefers not to have address or phone numbers(s) published?        Yes        No

Additional Comments: